

**One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB857**

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**Chairperson: Senator John Arch**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 10, 2022**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB857 uses Express Lane Eligibility (ELE) to automatically enroll eligible children who are receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) health coverage.

Express Lane Eligibility was originally authorized by the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA) to create a more simplified process and reduce administrative costs.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Jen Day**